

Happy Homeowner

Keep Your Pool Clean

(NAPSA)—There is a common misperception that caring for a pool is a complicated job. Luckily, some simple steps make opening the pool easy.

First, drain the water off the cover and away from the swimming pool. Clean cover and store in a clean, dry place away from sunlight. Ensure the pump, filter and skimmer basket are in good working order. Clean the filter with a chemical cleaner specifically designed for swimming pool filters.



Pool maintenance can be easier than you think.

- For DE filters, make sure the filter grids are in good shape.
- For cartridge filters, make sure there are no holes in the filter media, especially in or on the pleats and at the top and bottom.
- For sand filters, replace your filter sand every three to five years. Make sure only to use the proper grade of material for swimming pool sand filters.

Fill the pool to the proper level and circulate it for 24 to 48 hours to filter. Take a pint of water to your local BioGuard pool store for a computerized analysis and a personalized prescription for pool care. Follow the maintenance program prescribed by your BioGuard authorized pool professional for the most brilliant, algae-free water possible.

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